

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: TRIPP *et al.* : Confirmation No.: 4232

Application No.: 10/782,275 : Art Unit: 1771

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For: INORGANIC FIBER INSULATION : Attorney Docket No.: D0932-00385  
MADE FROM GLASS FIBERS AND  
POLYMER BONDING FIBERS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Official action dated May 12, 2006 ("Office Action"), the three months statutory period to respond to which is set to expire on August 12, 2006, the following amendment and remarks are submitted in conjunction with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Amendment to the specification is provided on page 2 of this paper. Amendment to the claims is provided in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 3 of this paper. The remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

A petition to extend the time for filing this response by one month up to and including September 12, 2006 is also enclosed.